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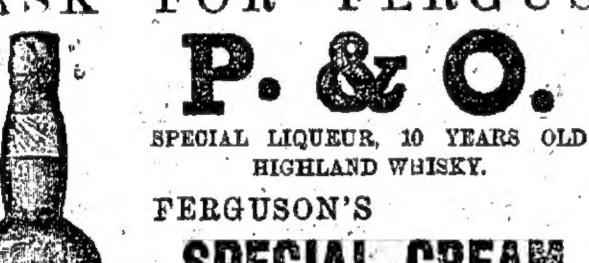
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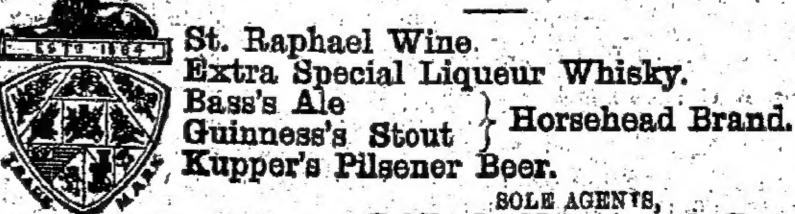
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Adjudcation and Appointment of Trustee. No. 19 of 1897.

Re-ORAN YIK, lately carrying on Busi-

ness as a Building Contractor, under the style of HANG YIK, at 2, Stanley Street, Victoria, Hongkong. THE above named OHAN YIK WALL Adjudicated Bankrupt on the 9th

December, 1897, and Mr. BRUCE SHEPHERD, the Official Requiver, was appointed Trustee of the Debtor's Estate.

Notice of Intended Dividend.

No. 2 of 1897.

Re CHAN LI MOON, also known as CHANKAI YAN, formerly residing at the I Choong Shop, at 45, Praya West, Victoria, Hongkong, Trader.

Dividend is intended to be declared in the above mentioned Matter. Debts not already proved must be prove by the 18th January, 1898, or will be excluded from such Dividend.

Dated this 10th December, 1897. BRUCE SHEPHERD, Official Receiver and Trustee. LAND OFFICE, Hongkong.

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

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MEMBERS desirous of Renting Private IVI STAND and/or STABLE ACCOMMODA-TION for the Current Training Beason and 1898 RAGE MEETING are requested to apply in writing to the Undersigned on or before | Webb, Singapore December 3, General .-SATURDAY Next, 18th Instant.

T. F. HOUGH, Clerk of the Course. Hongkong, December 13, 1897.

THE HONGKONG LAND INVEST-MENT AND AGENCY Co., LD.

T Have THIS DAY Resumed CHARGE of the Company.

By Order of the Board of Directors; A. SHELTON HOOPER, Becretary.

Hongkong, December 13, 1897. HONGKONG RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

THERE will be a SPOON COMPETI. . TION on SATURDAY, the 18th Instant, commencing at 2,30 p.m. RANGES 200 and 500 Yards.

A. CHAPMAN, Hon. Secretary. Hongkong, December 13, 1897.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES, THE PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL

STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S STEAMER CHUSAN.

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H. A. RITCHIE, Superintendent.

Hongkong, December 13, 1897.

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SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

December 11. Cheang Chew, British str., 1,213, Fred.

CHINESE. Docember 12, Kunsu, British atr., from Canton. Hangehoue, British str., from Canton. Rio, Gorman str., 1,108, C. Christenson, Singapore Dec. 4, General. - JEBSEN & Co. Columbus, German ship, 1,370, F. Stover,

Hailoong, British steamer, 783, Hall, Tamsui Dec. 10, and Amoy 11, General. DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP Co.

Loo Sok, British atr., 1,020, J. B. Jackson, Bangkok via Ang-hin Dec. 4, Rice and General -- YUEN FAT HONG. December 13. Jason, British steamer, 1,336, H. Owen,

Singapore Dec. 3, and Hoihow 11, General. BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE. Memnon, British steamer, 868, R. Mogridge, Sandakan Dec. 6, Timber.-BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

Chusan, British str., 2,852, E. Street, Bombay Nov. 25, and Singapore Dec. 7, Mails and General. -P. & O. S. N. Co. Verona, British steamer, 1,950, C. H. S. Dec. 5, General, -P. & O. S. N. Co. Canton, British steamer, 1,110, Spencer

Wilde, Chinkiang Dec. 9, Rice and Goneral. -JARDINE, MATHESON & Co. Sagami Maru, Japanese str., 1,169, J. M. Curnow, Amoy Dec. 12, Quietait Machew, British str., 996, J. E. Farrell,

Ang-hin via Bangkok Dec. 4, Rlos,-YUEN Narcissus, British cruiser, 5,600, W. C. Foreyth, Port Hamilton December 8. Wingsang, British steamer, 1,517, T. H. Sellar, Shanghai Dec. 10, and Swatow 12,

General.-JARDINE, MATHESON & Co. DEPARTURES.

December 12. Pakhoi, for Canton. Wuhu, for Canton. Toonan, for Canton. Ket ng-wai, for Hoihow. Tientsin, for Batavia. Hanoi, for Haiphong. Chunsana, for Sourabays, Kriemhild, for Yokohams. Jacob Christensen, for Kobe. Taivick, for Saigon.

Haimun, for Swatow. December 13. Mathilds, for Hoihow. Kansu, for Shanghai. Cromarty, for Singapore and New York.

Menmuir, for Kobe.

CLEARED. Rio, for Amoy. Hangchow, for Salgon. Cheang Chew, for Swatow. Progress, for Haiphong. Ask, for Hoihow. Hailoong, for Swatow.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED. Per Rio, from Singapore, 370 Chinese, Per Hailoong, from Tamsui, Capt. Lush, and 30 Chinese. Per Loesok, from Bangkok, Mr Nissel,

and 16 Chinese. Per Jason, from Singapore, Mr Menson, and 140 Chinese. Per Memnon, from Sandakan, 20 Chl-

Per Chusan, for Hongkong: from London, Miss Locke King, Mr R. Corbett, Mrs Kyles, Mr and Mrs Ewing, Messra J. Optional Goods will be landed here unless Dickson, D. McKenzie, W. Ritchie, D. N. Lamont, M. Faherty, J. Hood, R. Goods not cleared by the 18th Instant, Fenton, Miss Laider, and Mr W. H. Day; from Brindisi, Mr. W. S. Orr; from Bom-No Fire Insurance will be effected by me | bay, Messrs R. Verseybhoy and Gagnot; from Colombo, Mr J. Sullivan; from All Damaged Packages must be left in Singapore, Messes Damine, J. Cruikshank, the Godowns and a certificate of the dam- Mrs J. A. Borel and 2 children, and Mr age obtained from the Godown Company Fatchally Abdeali. For Shanghal: from London, Mr and Mes J. Hunt, Miss L. Heron, Miss Lilly, Mr Bland, Misses Per- Temperature mon, Johanson, Russell, Suter, and Dunn, Humidity Messrs H. Murray, McCallum, J. Douglas, Direction of and Binnie ; from Brindisl, Messrs H. B. Bailey and W. Ellis; from Singapore, Mr G. Wright, Mr Lee Sut Am and servant, and Mr Fermo Gritty. For Yokohama: from Brindisi, Mr L. Borringer, Mesars

Borringer (2); from Colombo, Mr F. Bor-Per Verona, for Hongkong : from Yokohama, Dr P. May, Capt. Tillett, Mr L. Kirk, 4 Chinese and 3 children; from Shi and child, 4 Japanese, 5 Chinese and Pohildren; from Nagasaki, Mesers Crowe and J. Chester Most, 3 Chinese and 2 Japanese. From Yokohama; for Colombo. Messrs A. J. Verini and O. Wrenn ; from Beindisi, Revs. E. Reid and C. Beard. From Nagasaki: for Singapore, Miss Matsukura; for Calcutta, Mr and Mrs Epplesee, and Misses Espiesse (2). Per Segumi Mars, from Amoy, 63 Chi-

Por Wingrang, from Shapphal, Mo

DEPARTED. Per Menmuir, for Kobe, The Hon. Mrs

SHIPPING REPORTS. The British steamer Cheang Chewroports: From Singapore to Parcelles, light N.N.E. wind and fine weather; thence to port, strong N.E. trades and cloudy, overcastaky. The German ship Columbus reports: Had strong N.E. monanon, blowing a gale on the 11th of December W. of Formesa, The B itish steamer Hailoong reports : Tamsui to Amoy, strong N.E. monsoon and heavy sea. Amoy to Hougkong, strong N.E. monsoon and beavy sea. Steamers

New York July, 25, Case Oil .- MELCHERS | in Amoy : Hothow, Sagami Maru, Yungching, Hong Leong, Formosa, and Nanyang. The British steamer Loosek reports; Strong N.E. mouscon, moderate sea, and fine cloudy weather to Cape Padaran ; from thence to port, very strong monsoon, high bead sea, squally overcast weather.

The British steamer Jason reports Strong N.E. wind, high sea. The British steamer Meinnon reports Strong monaoon and heavy sea. The English mail steamer Chusan reports:

Strong monsoon, 45 The British steamer Canton reports: Moderate monsoon and see, and overcast weather throughout. The British steamer Machew reports: Left Ang-hin on Dec. 4th; from there to Pulo Obl. moderate to strong N. E'ly wind and cloudy weather; then to lat. 17.20 N.

and long. 111.10 E., strong wind and mo-Torque, R.N.R., Yokohama via Ports dorate gale and duli overcast weather, with passing rain squalls; thence to port, experienced very strong N.E. gale and dull cloudy weather, with very figree squalle and tremendous high sea, ship continually covered with sprays, and shipping very

larme quantities of water fore and aft POST OFFICE NOTICES.

MAILS will close:-For SHANGHAL -Per s.s. Chusan, on Tuesday, the 14th December, For Shanghai, - Registry ceases at 8 a.m. Mail closes at 8 s.m. Late Letters received from 8.10 to 8.30 a.m. with 10 cents Late

Per Hector, at 9.30 a.m., on Tuesday, the 14th Decamber. For MOJI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, & PORTLAND, OREGON .--

Per Olympia, at 11.30 a.m., on Tuesday, the 14th December. For PAKHOI & HAIPHONG .-

Per Ask, at 11.30 a.m., on Tuesday, the 14th December. For SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA. --

Per Java, at 11.30 a.m., on Tuesday, the 14th December. For AMOY .-

Per Jason, at 11.30 a.m., on Tuesday, the 14th December. FOR PORT WALLUT .-Per Chilli, at 11.30: a.m., on Tuesday, the 14th December.

For SINGAPORE: SAMARANG & SOURABAYA. -Per Onsang, at 3.30 p.m., on Tuesday, the 14th December.

For SAMARANG & SOURABAYA. -Per Wuhu, at 1.30 p.m., on Wedness day, the 16th December. For EUROPE, &c., INDIA VIA TUTI-

CORIN. Per Mirzapore, Circulara 8 a.m., Registration 10 a.m., Papers 10.15 a.m., Letters, &c., 10.45 a.m., on Thursday, the 16th Dec. (Late Letters 10.55 to 11.16 a.m.) Supplementary Mail on board till time of departure. Extra Postage 10 conts. For SANDAKAN & KUDAT .--

Por Deucation, at 2.30 p.m., on Wednesday, the 15th December. For SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOROHAMA, HONOLULU & SAN FRANCISCO,-Per Peru, Registration at 10 a.m., Let-

ters, &c., at 10.45 a.m., on Thursday, the 16th December. (Supplementary Mail on board till time of departure. Extra postage 10 conts.) Hongkong Begister. Previous On date at On date at dayatip,m. 10 s.m.

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MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW. Shipping. Daylight, -Hailoong leaves for S'tow, &c.

10 a.m.—Chusan leaves for Shanghal. Noon. - Jara leaves for S'hai, &c. Noon.-Olympia leaves for Portland, at 5.40 p.m. (O.), &co.

4 p.m .- Hestor leaves for Shanghal. Amusements.

2 p.m. - Bazaar at the City Hall, Miscellaneous. Goods per Catherine Apear undelivered after 4 p.m. this date landed.

General Memoranda THURSDAY, December 16:-

p.m. aubject to reut. 4.30 p.m.-Mosting of Perseverance FRIDAY, December 17 :-Noon.-Meeting of the Hongkong Benevolent Society, in City Hall. ATURDAY, December 18:-

Goods per Peshawur not cleared after

Goods per Saghalien unclaimed after noon subject to rent. 2.30 p.m.—Auction of Rare Old Chinese Porcelain, Embroideries and Curios, at Mr Geo. P. Lammert's. 2.30 p.m. - Spoon Competition Practice of the Hongkong Rifle Association,

Quotations.

Hongkong, Dec. 13, 1887. OPIUM-New Patna, cash, ... 692 New Benazon, cash, 7274 cash... -New Malwa, oredit, 760 Allowance Taels,... 112/128 Last Year New 800/810 Allowance, Taels.... 32/44 Old Malwa credit -

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MARRIAGE On the 8th December, 1897, at the Union Church, Hongkong, by the Revd. G. J. Williams, HARRY KAYE CECIL FIREER, to MAY AMANDA GREENE.

The publication of this issue commenced

The China Mail.

HONGKONG, MONDAY, DECEMBER 13, 1897.

LOCAL AND GENERAL STEAMERS PASSED SUEZ CANAL (SUPPLIED TRECUGH RECTER.)

OUTWARD BOUND :- Deuteros, Taichu Oct. 22; Poseidon, 29; H. Siping (1), horn, 11; Niobe, Longships, Morven, Ixion, 15; Oopack, Sydney, Christina, Medusa, Norman, 18; Ceylon, Polyphe-Luos, Titania, 25 Glaneus, Glenesk, Diomed, Sentu, 29; Benlarig, Pingsney, Yarra, Ghazce, Dordoghe, Dec. 2; Argyll, Caledonien, Irene, Amphitrile, Pingmey, Deike Rickmers, Orivell, Ronald, 6; Gerda, Nestor, Tantalus, Ataka, Courie, 9.

HOMEWARD BOUND :- Hertha, Nov. 11; Energia, Patrodus, 15; Liv. 18; Dardanus, 22; Socotra, 25; Macduff, Vanfu, Ceres, 29; Sachsen, Dec. 2; Glenariney,

Mads. The Imp. Ger. Mail s. s. Prinz Heinrich, with the GERMAN MAIL of the 15th Nov., left Singapore on Saturday, the 11th Dec., at daylight, and may be expected here on or about Thursday,

The O. & O. s. s. Coptic, with mails &c., from San Francisco to the 18th Nov., via Honolulu, has arrived at Yokohama, and will leave for this port on Thursday morning, 9th Dec., via Inland Sea, Kobe, Nagasaki Shanghai. The P. M. Co.'s s.s. City of Rio de Janeiro, with mails &c., left San Francisco for

Inland Sea, Kobe, Nagasaki, and Shanghai, on the 27th Nov. The O. & U. s. s. Gaelic, with mails &c., left San Francisco for this port via Yokohama, Inland Sea, Kobe, Nagasaki and Shanghai, on the 7th Dec. The C. P. R. Co. S. S. Empress of China sailed from Vancouver on Tuesday afternoon, the 7th Dec.

this port via Honolulu, Yokohama,

Steamers Expected. The N. P. Co.'s B. S. Braemar, from Portland, has arrived at Yokohama, and sails on the 5th Dec. for this port. The s. s. Glengyle, from London and Straits, left Singapore for this port on

the evening of Thursday, the 9th Dec. The N. P. Co.'s s.s. Mogul sailed from Portland for Japan and Hongkong, on the 24th Nov. The N. P. Co.'s s. s. Columbia Japan and Hongkong. The Austrian Lloyd's s. s. Trieste,

The N. Y. K. s.s. Yamashira Maru, left Thursday Island for this port on the expected to arrive here on the morning of 17th December. The Dichman disserand a. o. deveres Tahon. from Hamburg, left Singapore on

Dec. 10th.

17th Dec. The E. & A. str. Guthrie, from Sydney, Dec., for Timor and Hongkong. The N. P. Co. a a. a. Petican lett Tacomi

for Japan and Hongkong on the 12th The N. G. I. s. s. Letimbro left Bombay for this port on the 5th Dec., and is due here on or about the 24th Dec. The R. L. s. s. Deike Rickmers, from Antwerp and Hamburg, passed the Canal on the 7th Dec., and may be consi-

dered due at Singapore on the 29th

Latest Advices. The s. s. Radnorshire, from London, left Singapore on Saturday, the 11th Dec., the 18th Dec. The C. M. Co.'s steamer Chingwo, from

pore for this port on Saturday afternoon, Dec. 11th, and may be expected here on or about the 18th given. The C. M. Co.'s str. Pingsuey, from Swan- A Dunder Advertiser received by the Chusea and Liverpool, passed the Canal

on the 4th Dec., and may be considered due at Singapore on or about the ing to our own 'Dr Jim':--The s. s. Suisang, from Calcutta and Straits, left Singapore for this port on

Saturday, the 11th Dec., at 6 p.m.

THE delivery of the English Mail begun at 8.50 a.m. to-day.

nese visitors to the City Hall Museum

during the week ending Dec. 12. By the P. and Or mail Steamer Chuson, which arrived to-day, eight constables, who have been home on leave, returned to the Oolony. Two recruits-one from Sootland,

and the other from Erin's Isle-also arriv-

ed with the party. On Saturday a fatal accident happened to a | isolation, added to the fact that they had stonecutter at Shaukiwan. The deceased the most perfect system of medical observawas working in a quarry, when without slides were thrown on the screen, illustratwarning a huge rock fell upon the stonecut- ing the work of stamping out the plague, ter, crushing him to death. The body was and at the close Dr Lowson was awarded a removed to the public mortuary by the

To-DAY, Chief Inspector Mackie charged CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR a private ricksha coolie at the Magistracy with furious driving. The coolie was driving slong Queen's Road, yesterday, at a furious rate and ran over a little girl, who was crossing the street, injuring her ankle. Mr Wodehouse awarded the girl 81 compensation.

> VESSELS AT THE DOOKS:-At Kowloon-H.I.G.M.S. Moeve, Hailan, Linnet.

Aberdson .- (None). Comopolitan. - West York.

SPECIAL LOW Prices to end of month only for Brinsmead, Allison, Rosenkrans, Colland, Ployol, do, Pienos, -W. Robinson

H.E. the Governor has given his assent, in the name and on behalf of the Queen, to the Vagrancy Ordinance.

THE stamp revenue last month amounted to \$25,512, being an increase of \$9,262.92 on the amount collected in the coresponding month of 1898.

A DIBABLED Formosan junk, with about seventy passengers, which had been drifting about the open sea for about a week, was picked up by two fishing junks yesterday, and taken in tow to Shaukiwan.

H. E. THE Governor has notified in the Gazette that in addition to Christmas and Nov. 2; Tainan, Puritan, 9; Lyder- New Year Days, he has been pleased to appoint Monday, 27th December and Monday, 3rd January as public holidays.

Ir is notified in the Gazette that owing to the prevalence of foot and mouth disease amongst the cattle in the colony in epidemie form, the Vaccine Institute has been closed until further notice.

A CHECKET match took place at the Happy Valley on Saturday last, between the Jubilee Cricket and Football Club and the Independent Cricket and Football Club-The latter won by ten runs.

INFORMATION has been received in Hongkong that Captain Waddilove, late of the Indo-China Steam Navigation Co.'s steamer Yuensang, has committed suicide at Kobe. Deceased leaves a daughters and son, who are resident in Hongkong.

INSPECTOR Gillies raided a house in Brages Street on Saturday last, and arrested three men on a charge of gambling. Two of the men have been previously convicted. At the Magistracy to-day, Mr H. E. Wodehouse, Police Magistrate, fined two of the prisoners \$250 each, in default of payment to be sent to prison for three months, and also sentenced them to three months' imprison-

ment. The third man was fined 810. On Saturday night, Mr Frank Linton gave another of his delightful entertainments in the City Hall. Other attractions of a local nature kept away many who would otherwise have preferred the City Hall, but on the whole there was a good audience, who, judging by the heartiness of their laughter, thoroughly enjoyed Mr Linton's funnicaion the 29th Nov., from Tacoma, for ties. His mimicry is simply wonderful. His imitation of the German anarchist and the American stump orator were inimitible. Kobe for this port on Friday night, Mr Linton leaves by the Chusan for Shanghai and will pay a short visit to Japan, and afternoon of the 6th December, and is he will again favour Hongkong with a visit on his way back to India in six weeks or

two months' time Wednesday, Dec. 8, for this port, and | THE annual installation meeting of the St. may be expected here on or about the John's Lodge was held on Saturday evening, when Bro. William Farmer was in-&c., left Port Darwin on the 10th stalled as Right Worshipful Master for the ensuing year by the Right Worshipful District Grand Master, Hon. C. P. Chater, C.M.G., assisted by Wor. Bro. E. C. Ray, D.D.G.M., and the Grand Lodge officers. Right Wor. Bro. Former then invested his officers as follows :- S. W., Bro. J. Lochead ; J. W., Bro. G. G. Burnett ; Treasurer, Bro. C. Parkson; Secretary, Wer. Bro. F. Howell; S. D.; Bro. J. Burgess; J. D., Bro. A. Weill; Organist, Bro. A. J. M. Farr; D. C., Bro. W. Robertson; I. G., Bro. F. Powell; Tyler, and may be expected here on or about Bro. J. Jorus. After the closing of the Lodge the brethren sat down to a banquet. Glasgow and Liverpool left Singa- The usual loyal and Masonic tossts were proposed and songs and recitations were

sau contains the following paragraph relat-

Last night Dr James A. Lowson, of Hongkong, one of the special commissioners sent out to Bombay by the British Government in connection with the plague there, delivered an interesting lecture on the subject in the Masonic Hall, Forfar, under the auspices of the Forfer Field Club. Provost M Dougall prosided, and there was a large audience, the hall being crowded. Dr Lowson said that the educa-THERE were 140 European and 2,205 Chi- tion of the people with regard to plague was in a very backward condition. He gave an account of the various plagues which had devestated Europe during the past 1800 years, desling especially with the visitation of the disease in England and Scotland. He remarked that they heard a great deal about the sanitation of England; but in some places, especially in larger towns, the sanitation was very so-so. Although they heard people say that the plague would never come to Great Britain. that was only a matter of opinion. England's safety lay entirely in her distance from the present seat of disease and in her tion in the world. A large number of hearty vote of thanks.

ADMIRAL Von Diedrichs, of the German Navy, having received his promotion from the rank of Roar-Admiral to that of Vice-Admiral, hoisted his flag on the Kaiser at Kisochau Bay on the 28th November.

MR George Jamieson returns very shortly to Shanghai to be Consul-General and Commarcial Attaché. This appears to be an attempt by the Foreign Office to carry out the wishes of the China Association, but is really an evasion. What is wented in an official who can give his whole time to travelling about and studying commercial questions, with headquarters at Peking whereas it is a physical impossibility that the Consul-General at Shanghai can perform the duties of Commercial Attache. It is presumed that Sir Nicholas Hannen will remain Chief Judge until the new treaties come into force in Japan, when the British Court at Yokohama will be abolished, and Mr H. S. Wilkinson will not impropuls succeed Bir Nicholas as Chief Judge at Shanghai. But much may happen in the Bent the Louis me & Broke Hekel

On Saturday evening, a smoking concert. was held at Volunteer Hendquarters, under the sumpless of the Volunteer Recreation Committee. There was a good attendance. Major Sir John Carrington presided, and the officers of both sections of the Corps were also present. The Chairman intiniated that the evening's entertainment was the prelude of a series of concerts which the Committee purposed holding during the season. The programme, which was arranged by Battery-Sergeant-Major Duncan, was of a high-class order, and notwith- of power in the East, and recalls standing the fact that several of the gentle- the rights of Great Britain, under the men who had promised their assistance Convention of 1846, to the group of Islands were unable to be present, the array of at the mouth of the Yangteze. The article talent was more than sufficient to keep the adds that the time may come when Great audience interested until after midnight. Britain will have to claim them. The principal attraction was the appearance of M. Merck, from the Brussel's Conmerratoire, who gave an exquisite rendering on the cello of the bracketted piece (a) Albumblalt, and (b) Spanish Dance. Az an encors he gave a selection from Pagliacci.' In introducing Mr Bentley, the Major referred to the regret that was felt at the departure from the Colony of the magnificent band of the West Yorkshire Regiment, and paid pleasing compliment to Mr Bentley bandmaster. For a beautiful rendering of a_selection from 'Traviata' Mr Bentley of the China Sea. was loudly recalled, and the audience werethen charmed with a trio, Braga's serenade: Mr Bontley (clarinet); M. Merck (cello); and Mr G. P. Lammert (piano) Mr E. Mirow sang very sweetly 'The l'White 'Squall,' and two members of the R.E .-Corporal Daniels and Sapper McConnelland Sergeant McPhail sustained the humorous part of the programme. Gunner C. McD. Smart also contributed a song. The drum and fife band played selections during the interval. The concert was an undoubted success and taken as an augury of future concerts, these entertainments will be decidedly popular.

The hired transport Jelunga left Southampton on 10th Nov. having embarked seventyeight of the 1st Royal Lancaster Regiment from Lichfield for Hongkong, and other details for Gibraltar, Malta, Ceylon, Singapore, and Hongkong. Lieut. Colonel J. H. E. Hinde, of the 1st Border Regiment, is in command

We learn from Kiukiang that the compradure of one of the foreign hongs there has disappeared. It was reported that his defalcations amount to something between 37,000 and 50,000 tacls. He is a young man, and has succoeded so far in evading the search that is being made for him. -N C. Daily News.

A BATCH of new appointments in Her. Ma iosty's Consular Service in China is an nounced in the Gazette of 5th inst., under date Foreign Office, Sopt. 27 .- The announcements are that the Queen has been reactionally pleased to appoint W. I Carles, to be Consul at Swalow; B. Consul at Tientsin : Bourne, Consul at Chinkiang: L. C. Honkins, Consul at Chefoo; A. Hosie, Consu at Wijchon: H. F. Brady, Consul Samehul; P. F. Hausser, Consul at Momein ; J. N. Tratman, Consul at Ssumao ; E. D. H. Fraser, Vice-Consul at Pagoda Island; and H. E. Fulford, one of the .Vice-Consuls at Shanghai.

A DECREE dated the 15th of October has author of an interesting book on Pembeen promulgated to all the Viceroys and brokeshire. Gavernors of provinces consenting to the proposals of Yang Yi-chih, a Cantonese and a member of the Transmission Office. recommending the minting of gold coins in order to prevent the drain that is now going on of gold from the country. The high authorities of the territories where gold is produced are therefore commanded to send at once a note of the annual output of their territories, while the other Governors are exhorted to send explorers over the empire to prospect for the precious metal and re- Pollock, the well-known Indian frontier port at ouce to Peking if they find any. The intention is to buy up the gold in the country that is now being sold to foreigners. - N. O. Daily News.

A correspondent gives some account of the outward voyage of the cruiser Powerful, An amusing story has found its way into formed, concerning a time limit. What the presented resolutions deprecating the rewriting from Las Palmas. That port was the daily press. It scome that'a certain custom of the Yacht Club may be is not duction of the Navy Estimates from British reached in five days, steaming at the rate | Major on board an Australian liner, after | the question. The Regatta races are gen- | Possessions as widely apart as Toronto, the of thirteen knots, the coal consumption retiring to his cabin rather late, suddenly erally regarded as races to be sailed to a Cape of Good Hope and Hongkong. being about 140 tons a day for all purposes. reappeared, 'very white,' and informed finish on the afternoon on which they The cruiser has over 1,100 persons on the Purser that there was a lady there, start, and are not supposed to be sailed local branch of the League referred to the board, the complement being 840, and The Purser was incredulous at first, but again unless under very exceptional cir- inanition that overtook most Eastern Assome supers being en route for the China lafter investigating he too resppeared, terror- cumstances : each day's races standing by sociations. We, however, are not purely station. The rapid rise of temperature stricken, and exclaiming ;- Upon my life, themselves, and not affecting a season's Eastern. We are a world-wide Associaafter leaving northern latitudes caused you are right? Well see about it in the racing, as do the competitions of the Yacht tion. Eastern Associations have not the some inconvenience, though it is not said morning'. In the early light of dawn the Club. We understand the Umpires of the same stimulus of emulation. It should be that the ventilation system is defective, still trembling Major and Purser sought sailing races took particular pains to make the business of the Committee to endea-When steaming, the temperature of the the steward, who informed them that it the announcement of the shortened course | your to instil a healthy spirit of rivalry gun-reom, with open ports, was 88 was all right, and that the luggage of the anything but abrupt, and our worthy cor- into the Hongkong branch of the Navy deg., as compared with 80 deg. in lady was labelled 'Captain Higginson.' respondent would perhaps do well to bear League, and as a first effort endeavours harbour at Las Palmus, and the steerage | They then proceeded to look into the port in mind the decision of an umpire is final. | should be made to induce these 400 signavaried between 105 and 110 deg., the deck- manteau, and discovered certain articles The fact that 'real racing was beginning' tories to join the Navy League, the Complates being too hot to stand upon, and the of spparel which could only be used by one midshipmen suffering some inconvenience of the gentler sex. The so-called Captain in dressing. The Powerful has, however, proved to be a lady Captain in the Salvaa splendid main deck, and the porte can be | tion Army. kept open in a moderate sea. The natives at Las Palmas christened the cruiser the A MAGISTRATE in Michigan, named Roberts. Ponderoso, and the story was current does not regard marriage as a failure. that she was conveying 3,000 troops to Marrying people is a favourite occupation India, forming a part of reinforcements of of his, and on his cards he has engraved boilers on this long voyage will be noted knots. He assures the public that 'marwith interest.

-It was startling to observe that Sir upon a young and foolish pair and hands. The length of the course for the handicap Henry Blake, the new Governor of Hong- the gentleman his card, with the request sailing race on Friday was 9 miles, and, kong has married two Irish ladies. Lest that he will be remembered in due time. presumably, the time allowances were calany misunderstanding should get abroad in But he has modified his aggressive zeal culated on the basis of such distance. the Far East as to the character of Sir recently. It is allowing to a practical joke But in the middle of the race the course Henry Blake, I hasten to supplement that played on him by a couple of swains whom | was shortened by 3 miles, and no reduction information by noting that Sir Henry did he had 'befriended' in his own particular was made in the time allowances! In the not marry both ladies at the same time, | way. Not long ago while this active friend | result I believe no great harm was done, as nor did he marry one while the other was of Hymen was officiating at a public had the time allowance of the winning boat alive. He became a widower, and then entertainment, he was informed that a been reduced in proportion to the reduction re-married, which is a perfectly laudable young couple were waiting to be married in the length of the race, she would still thing to do. 'Yet, of a truth, one may note right away. 'Bring them in,' said Ma- have won by 10 seconds. But what of the in passing that Colonial Governors drift gistrate Roberts, and in they were brought principle !- Yours truly, into the task of Governorship from all sorts The Magistrate carried out the ceremony of irrelevant occupations. Sir Charles and kissed the bride resoundingly. Where-Mitchell began life as a Lieutenant of upon the bridegroom dropped his faked haps reply to the above; but it really asome Marines; Sir Henry Blake began as an whiskers and the bride her false hair, and to us the question of dealing with time al-Officet of Constabulary; Sir William the couple stood revealed as Mr Roberts' Maxwell began as a clerk to a judge; two male acquaintences! Marriages are not quite unnecessary. The shortening of the Major McCallum began as a gold medal- so much in his line now. list in architecture; Sir West Ridgway was, if I recollect aright, a clerk in the Home Civil Service. Two others, whose hames I do not at the moment recollect. were newspaper man. Another, whose name it may not be right to mention, was unsuccessful in the grocery business. Wherefore, we see that Colonial Governors Han Papa-Has my daughter given you

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS. (SUPPLIED TO THE CHINA MARL!)

LONDON, December 10. GERMANY IN CHINA.

The Times' Peking correspondent wires that Germany has undertaken to evacuate

Kiao chau and to receive instead, as coaling station, Samsah, in the Fokhien A Times' article on the German action

implies a redistribution of the balance

[Sam-sah Inlet is 10 miles westward of Spider Island, slightly north from Foohow. The entrance is 17 miles wide, with deep water and strong tides. - Eb., C. M.

WEATHER REPORT.

Observatory :-

On the 12th at 11.50 a.m. Pressure is still high, but giving way over China. . In E. Japan the barometer has risen; with the lowest pressure lying to the Eastward: Gradients have decressed on the coast but continue rather steep in the N. part of the China Sea. Forecast :- fresh N E. winds; Very strong monsoon in the N. part On the 13th at 11:25 a.m. The barome-

ter has fallen considerably on the China coast, risen slightly in the South. Pressure is highest over the E. const of China and W. Japan, lowest to the N.E. of Japan. Gradients have decreased and are mostly slight. Forecast :- Moderate N.E. winds; cloudy, probably some light rain.

WE understand (says the Singapore Free Press) that the a. s. Glengyle, was subaidised to make the trip from Ceylon to Penang in company with the King of Siam's yacht cruiser Mahachakkri. The King evidently believes in having two strings to his bow. even in so ordinary an undertaking sa an ocean voyage in a well-found and ably commanded ship.

WE hear that Col. Alexander, the Colonia Engineer, has had an operation performe for the removal of cancer in the tongue. Col. Alexander is in good spirits, and pears to have been much relieved. articulation not being greatly interfered with. We trust that Col. Alexander, who does not return, we understand, will remain hereafter free from the very serious ailment that he has lately suffered from .- Singapore

THE remains of the late Colonel Chard R.E., V.C., were buried at Hatch Beauchamp, near Taunton, on the 5th Nov. There was a vast number of wreaths and crosses, including a large wreath of bay leaves, tied with satin streamers, from Attached to it was the inscription. A mark of admiration and regard for brave soldier from his Sovereign, Victoria R.I. The Rev. C. E. Chard, rector Hatch Beauchamp, and brother of Colonel Chard, received from Her Majesty a sym- suitable conditions of wind. pathetic private letter.

Dargai heights, is a Welshman, and belongs | considerable amount of dissatisfaction. to a well-known Pembrokeshire family. is the eldest son of Mr George Mathias, of antiquarian Mr. Edward Laws, who is the -I am, dear sir, yours faithfully,

'THE last of the Barons' has departed in further suggestion to the above, namely, Sir Charles Pollock, Baron of the Exche- that the present time-honoured Regatta quer. He was a son of the second Chief course, which is not at all a suitable one, Baron Pollock-and 'devilled' for his father | because it involves not only sailing down when the latter was Attorney-General. In through the shipping but also running the 1873 he was appointed Baron of the Exchequer, and in 1875, Judge of the High Court. He was uncle of Sir Frederick | the line, might with advantage be altered. Pollock, the Oxford Professor of Jurisprudence, the brother of Sir Frederick political and uncle of Mr Walter Herries Pollock, lately editor of the Saturday Review. Altogether, few families have had more eminent members in law and literature than the Pollocks.

The performance of the his special qualifications for tying nuptial riaves are solumnised promptly, accurately. and elequently. Osculation, extra; elepe- Races at the recent Regatta. Let me point ments, a speciality, etc. Sometimes when to an instance more glaring than any he spreading over the earth till all British T. D. Pilcher, Northumberland Fusiliers. THE Moralist writes in the Straits Times: | the matrimonial market is dull be pounces | has mentioned.

> Do you know that your confounded dog barks all night ! Yes, I suppose he does. But don't worry about him. He sleeps all right in the day time.

are evolved by a process of envival and any ensouresement air! Mr Loreday-

SUPREME COURT. IN ORIGINAL JURISDICTIONS (Before His Honour Sir John Carrington, Chief Justice.)

Monday, December 13.

The hearing of this suit in equity was Mr. W. Danby went into the witness-box to complete his evidence. He said since he the Empire? last gave evidence he had made certain estimates in reference to the cost of various

retaining walts, and had made six estimates. Mr Francis said he was entitled to object to all these estimates being put in. The only one question on which Mr Danby was called upon to give evidence was the cost of the retaining wall supporting Mr Belilioa's ground at its natural level on the whole south side of lot 1381. His Lordship said he was afraid Mr

Danby had given himself more trouble than necessary, but he supposed he had got that statement amongst the others. Mr Pollock said all the estimates had some bearing on the case. Mr Danby gave a number of technical

The following notice is issued from the taining walls. Counsel then argued upon a point of law respecting the production of evidence by the plaintiffs in rebuttal of new points raised by the defendants.

details of estimates of cost of various re-

The arguments were not concluded when the Court rose.

CORRESPONDENCE.

THE SAILING RACES FOR PARTI-ALLY-DECKED BOATS AT THE REGATTA To the Editor of the 'CHINA MAIL.

18. Bank Buildings, Hongkong, 11th December, 1897. DEAR SIR, - Whilst the Regatta is still fresh in people's minds, I may perhaps be permitted to make some suggestions for the improvement of the conditions under which

the sailing races are run. Extraordinary as it may seem, it would appear that actually no time limit was fixed for the termination of the races, and consequently the only course which the Committeo could adopt to bring matters to a conclusion on the first day was to shorten the

What I would suggest for the consideration of the Committee is that, in every sailing race at a future Regatta, a time limit of five o'clock should be fixed upon, and that there should be no shortening of the course under any circumstances, and that, if the first boat does not finish by five o'clock, the race should be re-sailed

The start for these races has always been ixed at 1.30 p.m. and the course has always been only nine miles, and my contention is that, if fast boats, such as those which we have now in the fleet, cannot get round such a short course in three hours and a half, the so called race can only be considered as more or less of a drifting match and not a fair test of the speed of the different boats.

Nobody, I think, will contend that the two days' racing, which has just concluded, furnished at all a satisfactory trial between the competing boats, and it would surely have been far better, under such circumstances to have had a time limit fixed, so that the races might either have been sailed but to the finish or, if the time limit were exceeded, re-sailed again under some more

I need hardly point out in conclusion that shortening the course originally fixed CouldEl H. H. Mathine, who led the correct appear is a most impulsionative mathed of Highlanders in their gallant charge on the procedure and must always give rise to a Ho a matter of fact the course was curtailed yesterday in a most abrupt and unnecessary Victoria Street, Tenby, and a cousin of fashion and just at a time when the real Mr Charles Mathias, of Lamphey Court, | racing was beginning. Four or five of the Pembroke. Colonel Mathias was born in boats: actually sailed round the whole Haverfordwest, where his father was for course, being in doubt as to whether the some years in practice. Another cousin of race had actually terminated or not ; the Colonel Mathias is the well-known Welsh leading boat, 'La Cigale,' finishing at 4.58.

HENRY E. POLLOCK. Owner of the Activa. P. S .- May I be permitted to add a still gauntlet of a long string of steam launches between the Cosmopolitan Dock Buoy and

It should be remembered that the Regatta sailing races are entirely distinct from the Yacht Club, although sailed under some voter or voters. The familiar entered Thibet from India have gone Yacht Club rules. Curiously enough, the metaphor of the ever-widening circles only rule of the Club which could possibly travelling outwards from a stone cast into be applied, under the conditions of the last | water applies peculiarly to our League, that Regatta weather, was that of shortening the course. No provision existed, so far other parts of the world. It was with paras the umpires of the sailing race were inbefore the Cosmopolitan buoy was reached mittee would then have a wider field to was one of those erratic conditions which draw from for lecturers, letter-writers, &c., no yachtsman, and not even an umpire, than at present. If the 400 will come forcould foresee. Our correspondent should re- ward and join the League, however limitmember that the Regatta comes, like ed the numbers amongst them may be that Christmas, only once a year.—Etc. C.M.]

To the Editor of the 'CHINA MAIL.' Hongkong, Dec. 13, 1697. Sir. -Mr H. E. Pollock has drawn attention to the mis-management of the Sailing

The Judge of the Salling Races may perlowances was not raised, becomes----it was course was decided upon when the Umpires saw there was so little wind at the start. - ED. O. Mi

Sin Nicholas Hannen is to leave Shanghai and would be a sort of equivalent to the next month for Siam, being due at Hangkok Agricultural Rating Act. This would on Fobruary let, in connection with the souths and same the feelings of those who Cheek Arbitration case, in which the United States and the Stames Government to the Irigh local sutherities would be say

WHY SHOULD I JOIN THE NAVY LEAGUET' [COMMUNICATED].

Beyond paying my \$5 a year there is nothing I could do. I have no vote in England. I quite approve of the aims of D. A. OUBBAY AND OTHERS U. R. R. BELILIOS. the Navy Longue, but how can I, a British aubject resident in Hongkong, impress my convictions and desires on those who rule

> Not by refusing your \$5 to the only Association that affords you an opportunity of asserting convictions, of making public profession of the faith that is in you, of assisting-however infinitesimally-still of Will you come? assisting, in the strengthening and preservation of that Empire in which your all is embarked. Amongst the 93 members and 20 associates mentioned as on the roll of the local branch of the League, the numbers who possess votes for property in Park Lane or elsawhere in the United Kingdom are probably limited, -atill those 113 men evidently consider that the Navy League affords them the means of contributing their quota towards the strongthening and maintenance of that Empire that all thinking British subjects desire.

The Central Committee of the Navy League must have been aware when issuing their manifesto of the aims of the League and making request that Branches should be formed abroad, that the number votes at home thus directly secured from Colonists would be few. What the Cominittee had, however, in view-was-the plehiscite to be thereby obtained from British subjects the whole world over. By the address referred to it appears 462 British subjects in Hongkong (exclusive of Government servants) signed a protest against any reduction of the Navy estimates this year. Did they think, in attaching their signatures to that protest, that they were doing what was absolutely futile They had no votes in England. If, on the other hand, they thought that however microscopic was that aid, still their names actually did assist the matter in hand, and which by appending their signatures to what they presumably held to be a good and worthy object, would it not be well if the 400 signatories not Leaguers would now come forward to join and actively support that League of which they approve-at preeent only passively ?

The Navy League at home made a good use of those petitions, impressing on the British public the unanimity of the British residents of Hongkong. In this article it is assumed that a travelled, reading, intelligent, middle-class, public like ours of Hongkong understands the objects, and comprehends the needs, of the Navy League like most other needs it includes cash.

The subscription for a member in Eng and is fixed-at one guines per annum, for which he receives the League Journal, and s at liberty to assist the League to any extent he desires, and in any way of which he may be capable. One quarter of this 5/3 is remitted to the Central Committee for the great task of educating our rulers. the Democracy-by lectures (with broad sheets)-in history and its lessons, in any and all ways feasible.

In Hongkong after the first year we con cluded that the subscription was unneces sarily high, our expenses being small so with the consent and approval of the Executive In Landon the nubscription was fixed at 85-6/3 being still remixed an nually for each member, and the fee for associates was put at \$2 per annum. 2/6 s year (one quarter of the annual subscription at home) has to be remitted for each associate (who enjoys the same privileges as members), viz., receiving the journal and insufficient to shield him from the rigours full liberty to labour for the League to any of the climate. Mr Landor, being under That there are any British subjects resi-

dent in Hongkong who have absolutely no connection, communication or correspondence with the United Kingdom seems no vote, still we may be the means of and records of surveys which when pub- of Plague is believed to have been importscarcely possible, so though we may have sowing the good seed. Through all the larger (not busier) but more varied world a. of Great Britain it may well be that our League and its aims have not percolated. so a letter or newspaper to some old friend or relation whether in the Highlands of Scotland, the wilds of Connemara, or perchance to the wilderness of London, may be the means of awakening the interest of has increased with gratifying rapidity in donable pride that the Central Committee

The seconder of the annual report of the possess the necessary qualifications in Park Lane for directly guiding the destinies of he was beginning to despair of pulling the Empire, still they can rest assured that each 5/3 is being used wisely and honestly to secure guarantees that Britain's cover- MAJOR A. E. J. Cavendish, 1st Battalion eignty of the sees shall be unquestionable. -that the ever-widening concentric rings | been selected for the appointment of from similar insignificant pebbles are D.A.A.G., Dublin District, vice Captain men are comprehended in one great

Mn Courtney, M.P., speaking at St. Germans on Nov. 2, said among the first subjects to be dualt with next session was the reform, or rather the creation of a system of self-government in Iteland. A section of the Liberal Unionists in Ireland were apprehensive of the consequences of such logislation, having had experience of the abuse of what local self-government still existed in that country; but, to pre vent a revival of the Home epitation, they must work realously and elucerely to grant to Ireland a system comewhat analogous to that prevailing in England, but made suitable and applicable to their different circumstances. As the price to be paid for the introduction of such a system, it was suggested that the landlords contribution to the poor-rate should be taken over by the Imperial Government. This would probably must the demand of the Irish for relief of taxation. feared shad the granting of taxing powers

OVERHEARD AT HONGRONG. Scene :- Hongkong Cricket Ground. Match, Straits v. Hongkong & Shanghal. traits batting.

1st Onlooker :- I say who's that youngster batting now ' 2nd Onlooker :- Don't you know? It's McKenzio of Perak. -1st () .- Oh | he's the bowler, of course, but why do they put him in so early, he's sever come off here yet?

2nd O .: - Oh I they are giving Shanghal and Hongkong a chance and putting in inferior bats first. (Three hours and a half later McKenzie is

out for 183.) 1st O .: - I say, we were sadly out of it just now in our remarks. By the way I've asked him to dinner with me to-night.

2nd O .: Delighted to most him. 1st O. (9 p.m.) :- Grand innings you played Mr McKenzie. Some of the chaps were saying you were no good, but] thought different. 2nd O .:- Yes, we both said you were good for 100 .- Perak Pioneer.

MR SAVAGE LANDOR'S HARD-SHIPS IN THIBET.

Bombay, November 23 .- Mr Savage

Landor has arrived in Bombay from A mora, where he has been resting since his return from Thibet, and is now staying at the residence of Mr J. N. Tata. He leaves by the Peninsular on Saturday for Eng-Considering the remarkable suf fering through which he passed, Mr Lander does not present very marked indications of his terrible experiences at first sight. He finds some difficulty in walking, the bridge of his nose bears slight sears where the instruments used in the hot, iron torture left marks, but in reality the inhuman treatment he received at the hands of Thibetans produced effects which there is only too much reason to fear may prove lasting The sight of the left eye for the present almost entirely gone. The most serious injury is that sustained by the spine, which so far, shows little sign of improvement, in mite of the long rest at Almora Mr Landor is still hopeful by aid of the medical skill which will be available when he reaches England that he may be restored to some degree of health, but can at best only look forward to regaining his former vigour in a partial mousure, and his present condition gives his friends no little anxiety. Considering the duration and intensit of his suffering it is marvellous he shoul have recovered as much as he has done

already. A photograph taken as soot

as he was rescued from the Thibetana by a party sent to his aid by the Government of India tells more clearly than any words can do the extent to which he was tried. The portrait looks like that of an old man of sixty; the face is haggard and drawn and scorod by deep lines and the marks of the barns can be traced far more clearly than now. His experience on the stretching log, on which he was placed for twenty-four hours without relief, alone would be sufficient to put an end to the oxistence of most men. As it was it has dangerously injured his spine and left scars on his hands and ankles which will probably never lose. He ashis survival of this particular cruelty to the exceptional suppleness of his frame which enabled him to live through torture which generally - proves fatal. But this was hardly the worst of his experiences, for he was twice taken to the execution ground and compelled to endure the agony of momentarily expecting decapitation. Semi-starvation. too formed a feature of his trials for his capters only for him once in thear days. and throughout his journey his supply of provisions was extremely scanty. tremes of heat and cold tried him severely for the Thibetans left him with nothing to wear but a few ragged garments wholly a pledge to give the London Daily Mail the benefit of the first detailed account of his adventures, is naturally unable to make

public at present the story of his journey. Luckily enough a series of unique photographs was saved, and a number of maps hitherto has been a terra incomita. penetrate Lhassa Mr Landor has practically was believed to be Plague, though the accomplished all he set himself to do when medical authorities were divided in opinion. he started on his perilous enterprise. He The patient was removed to the isolation traversed a region hitherto untrodden by hospital. white men. All provious explorers who either by the way of Leh or Darjeel-

route, chose to enter the country in an entirely new direction. Mr Landor wishes the public to suspend judgment upon his remarkable story until the whole of the facts are made known. He did not enter Thibet with any desire to seek notoriety, but went purely in the interests of geographical research, and his capture and subsequent illtreatment were simply sensational incidents of his wanderings which could not well have been forescen. The Government of India were acquainted with his intentions before he started and independent enquiries since made by the Government officials on the truth of his story as to his ill-treatment.

The Lieutenant-Governor of the North-Western Provinces has fully investigated matters and satisfied himself as to the absolute correctness of Mr Landor's statement. The Almora officials hurried across the pass to rescue him from the Thibetans who were escorting him from his place of imprisonment to the frontier and who showed a great disinclination to give him up at all. They brought him supplies of restoratives and warm clothing and arrived just when through, Rangoon Gazette.

Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders, has

THE will of Mr J. T. Morton, export bil-

man and provision manufacturer, who died

on Sept. 11, has been proved with a net personal estate of £714,586. The testator bequeaths to religious and charitable organisations sums estimated to amount altogether to £500,000. After some modurate bequests to his family and others, one fourth part of the residuary estate is to be held on trust for the benefit of the China Inland Mission. The trust is to work in the manner following, that is say, they shall in each year, until one-fourth of my residuary estate hausted, pay over to the Ohina Inland Mission such portion of the said one-fourth together with the income, if any, arising therefrom as they in their absolute and uncontrolled discretion think fit, but so that not more than one-benth of the amount which they estimate to be the value of the said one fourth shall be paid over in any one year, I direct that all moneys so paid capital or andowment. All moneys received by the said Ohion Mission are to be distributed amongse the Missionaries in China to be by them applied in founding and building sphysis, and for swangaling

LATE TELEGRAMS.

(Times of Ceylon.) OBITUARY. London, November 22.—The death announced of Baron Pollock. RECENT ATTACKS ON THE INDIAN

GOVERNMENT. The Times says that the accusation of breach of faith on the part of the Government can not possibly be sustained after Sir Henry Fowler's detailed statement. There is no excuse (it says) for Mr Asquith's attack on the Indian Government, and the appearance of a former member of the Cabinet as counsel for a person convicted of seditious practices in India is certain to lead to misconception among Indian subjects.

November 24th-Mr Asquith has sent letter to the Times regretting his phras Gross breach of faith on the part of the Indian Government, which he has since disclaimed. He says the responsibility must rest with the Imperial Government.

INDIAN TROOPS FOR CENTRAL AFRICA. Calcutta, November 25.—The 27th Bombay Light Infantry has been ordered to vesterony for Karachi. The move has been ordered in connection with the recent known. attack on Major Macdonald's force. The regiment will replace the Sikhs, who have been ordered to the relief of Uganda.

[Note by ED. -Our Bombay representatelegraphing similar information, more fully describes the troops ordered to East !Africa as the 1st Belooch Battalion. Bombay Light Infantry.]

VICTORIAN TOWNS WRECKED BY A DUST A dust-storm has taken place in the

north west of Victoria in which several towns were wrecked. THE TIRAH EXPEDITION.

Lahore, Nevember 22.-General Sir William Lockhart has inspected addressed all the corps in camp which had been lately hotly engaged and suffered losses. He told them that we had now to deal with perhaps the best individual rifle shots in the world, and the best skirmishers with an enemy, who knew every inch of the most difficult country the toops could possibly have to work over, and who were clever enough in take full advantage of hill, rock, and ravine. The advantages on our side were cohesion and combination and our control of fire. Sir William told the troops that there was no reason to be depressed or out of heart, but that he hoped that we should soon, have opportunities for wiping off all scores. He concluded by praising the mem for their soldierlike conduct before the enemy, for their courage. and for their fighting qualities, with all of which he said that he was very much pleased. General Sir William Lockhart spoke very straight yesterday morning to the Sirgas of the Kambar Khel, Malikain Khel. Adam Khel, and Akka Khel, and dismissed

Bombay, Nov. 23.—General Sir W. Lock hart, on the 21st instant, announced the erms to be imposed on the Afridis—verbaly to the Malikdin, Kambar, Aks. and Adam Khel jirgaha, and by proclamation to the others-with a week's grace to be allowed for compliance. The terms include the restoration of the rifles and other Government property stolen; also the private property taken at Lundi Kotal; the surrender of 800 breechloaders; and a fine of R50,000. Hostages are also required. The tribesmen have been further informed thatthe Government intend re-opening the Khyber Pass in such a way they may considor desirable; and the Afridis are required to accept any arrangement which the Government may hereafter decide. All tribal allowances are forfeited by their misconduct; and all question of renewing the same tions are restored. The Government i entitled to demand restoration for all

Bombau, November 25, - The latest from not yet known.

ANOTHER SUSPICIOUS PLAGUE CASE IN

Calcutta, November 25 .- Another case lished will add much to our knowledge of od into Madras from Vellore. A Hindu portion of Southern Thibet which was taken to the hospital suffering from fever, and it was discovered on examination With the exception that he failed to that he had recently recovered from what

AROTHER PAMINE IN CUDDAPAH. Owing to the failure of rain in the Cuddanah district, in the Madrae Presidency. Mr Landor, in selecting the Almora | the position is critical. The group are

either a partial or a total failure already. THE PLAGUE IN POORA. Bombay, November 25 .- The total cases of Plague in Poons to date are 4,543, and

3,337 deaths. (Rangoon Gazetie.)

more honoured and desirable.

pointment, however, has yet been arrived This was Nov. 18th. He reached the coast at by the Home authorities.

THE RECONSTRUCTION OF BOMBAY. of the Corporation, having considered the loading a small boat with mangrove Government scheme for the reconstruction | bark. By shouting and waving he atof Bombey, reported that on the whole they | tracted their attention; they would not were of opinion that the Corporation should at first approach this object, covered with heartily co-operate with Government in mud and blood, but ran away torrified. carrying out the scheme which, as it seemed | They returned cautiously, and found the to them, must be conducive to the ultimate supposed hantic could speak Malay. The sanitary welfare of the city, though, as to Lieut. swooned, and was carried by the the constitution of the Trust for carrying out the scheme and various points specified including questions of a financial character. they reserved opinion and urged that they receive full consideration.

RETENSIVE EMBEZZLEMENT IN BOMBAY. Bumbay, Nov. 22 .- A meeting of the shareholders of the Oriental Spinning and Weaving Company was held in the Brokers' Hall on Saturday, when Mr Jamaetjes Framjes Kathoke was in the chair and about 200 shareholders were present. Mr Cooveries Mehta explained that the object of calling the meeting was to place before the shareholders correspondence which had taken place between the Company's solicitors and Messra. Bicknell, Merwanise and Motifall on the subject of the defaications osused in the accounts by the Company's late Mehta, Chhaganial, Gopolda and also to consider what steps should be taken in the interests of the shareholders, These defalcations, he said, amounted in the aggregate to Rs. 8,36,700, and he was of opinion that the Directors were responsible for them. At a late hour the meeting adjourned before coming to any decision,

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grossly insolant to his superior officer. He was tried by court-martial at Saugor on October 19th on two charges (1) that he insolently shook his head at Captain Budd who was superintending the military training of the Jemadar's Company and at the same time grunting in an inscient and defiant manner, and (2) that he refused to give up his sword when placed under arrest. The Court found him guilty of both charges and sentenced him to be dismissed and the Commender-in-Chief has now confirmed the

DESTRUCTIVE FIRE AT CALCUTTA. Calcutta. November 28. -- A most destructive fire broke out this morning in a large two-storey jute warehouse belonging to the Victoria Jute Press at Chitpore. Both the Chitpore and Calcutta fire brigades were quickly on the spot, But in spite of all efforts a large quantity of jute stored in the warehouse burnt with great fury, and in a short space of time the building was completely gutted. The roof fell in with a terrific crash, only leaving the bare walls standing. The damage done is estimated at sixty thousand rupees. It is believed that both proceed to Mombassa, and left Rawalpindi the building and the jute destroyed were insured. The cause of the fire is not

(Via Australia.) STODDART'S ELEVEN.

Adelaide, Nov. 23.—The match Stoddart's team v. Newcastle eighteen resulted in a draw. The Englishmen scored 429 in their first innings. Newcastle made 189 in their first, and had put up 211 for nine wickets when the stumps were drawn. Stoddart's team is now playing Glen Innes District team.

Nov. 25.—The English won the match against the Glen Innes District by an innings and 107 runs. The team has arrived in Brisbane, where they play a Queensland Thirteen to-morrow. The English XI, up to date, has played 5 matches, winning and drawing 2.

THE GREAT FIRE IN MELBOURNE. Adelaide, Nov. 23. - The largest and most destructive fire that has ever been known in Australia occurred in Flinders Lans. Melbourne, at two o'clock on Sunday morn. ing. One whole block, comprising some of the largest warehouses in Australia, was reduced to ashes. The fire is supposed to have originated in Craig and Williamson's buildings. The firemen seemed powerless to cope with the flames, and could do nothing to arrest the spread of the conflagration. The immensely tall buildings greatly favored the fire, rendering the work of the brigades ever so much more difficult. Very grave charges are being circulated against the management of the fire brigades. and the whole system is condemned as being most inadequate to cope with a big fire. The damage is estimated at approach. ing two millions, most of which is held in foreign insurance offices.

Nov. 25 .- The disastrous fire in Melbourne still remains the general topic of conversation. The insurances do not exceed three-quarters of a million. The removal of the walls left standing of the tall buildings is considered extremely difficult. A TERRIBLE CYCLONE.

A terrific cyclone has devasted Nhill. A large number of valuable buildings were destroyed. Numerous casualties occurred during the blow. The whole of the Wimmera district is devastated. The damage is estimated at £100,000.

MARVELLOUS ESCAPE OF A DUTCH OFFICER.

Singapore, Dec. 6. Licut. A. Ruijsch, of the N. I. Army. was appointed commandant of the post Tobali, and on the 16th November at 6 p.m. ha left Muntok for his destination, a few hours' sail, in the steamer Van Riebeck. After dinner he conversed with the other passengers, and retired early to his cabin. The next morning he was missing, and it the front states that Lieutenant Jones, of was thought probable he had committed the Yorkshires, has been killed and Liou- suicide. The Lieut., however, has turned tenant Watson severely wounded in the up, and relates his experience. He rememmarch to Rajgal. The other casualties are bers waking with a shudder, and finding himself in the sea. He was near the rudder. and saw the ship pass into the shrouding gloom.' He tried to attract attention by shouting, and thinking he had been successful, he swam towards a light which he saw. The light disappeared, and he was left swimming, simlessly, in the dark sho gave himself up for lost,

He kept himself affoat for hours, however, and at daybreak he saw the coast of Palembang and Banks in the distance, He made for the land, swimming and floats. ing. He suffered much from the cold in the sarly morning, then from the rays of the sun, and the stings of small fish. Finally, he thinks about midday, he reached the low-lying coast and rested on the overhanging branch of a mangrove tree. He landed quite naked, having got rid of his light clothing in the sos. After a rest, he tried to make his way through the awamp. and saffered terribly from heat, thirst and from the many wounds he received from thorns, roote of trees, &c., in his many falls London. Nov. 25,-Mr Chamberlain, in the treacherous morass. As the evenspeaking at a meeting at Birmingham, said ing came on, mosquitoes and other venothe Government would deal with the Army moun insects added to his agony by eting. next session. They will not alter the sys- ing him on his wounded body. There was tem whereon it was raised, but make the no firm ground, so he resolved to mass the Army equal to its increasing needs and night leaning against a tree. He was ready for any emergency, and hoped to driven from that position by the insects. borders of Thibst amply substantiate the make the position of the private soldier and tried sinking his body in mud. covering his face with his hands but the cold was too much for him, and Allahabad. Nov. 24. - The succession to he returned to the tree. The next the Punjab Command which will fall vacant | morning he resolved to return to the when General Lockhart assumes the office | coast, and then float on a log. on of Commander in Chief is believed to lie the chance of being picked up by a pasbetween Sir Robert Low and Sir Power sing boat. Anyway, he preferred to dis Palmer. No decision regarding the ap- in the water than starye in the swamp.

about 11 a.m., and sat exhausted on the trunk of a tree. After a while he heard Bombay. Nevember 23. - The Committee voices, and turned and saw two natives nautres, in an unconscious condition, to the boat. When he recovered, he found himself on board the Madurese praus Bunga Edia from Madura. The natives knew of no settlement near, but the Lieut, persuaded them to search for a lighthouse. Karly on the morning of the 19th they weighed anchor, and at 10.30 a.m. they reached Pulc Besse lighthouse, on the coast of Banks. The lighthouse keeper bound up his wounds provided him with clothing, treated him with the utmost kindness, and sent him on to his post, Tobali, by boat. Here he met with a very kind reception, and his many wounds received proper surples treatment. Thanks to a strong constitution no reaction appears to have set in, and the Lieux, take ing the circumstances into consideration is in comparatively good health. The Lieup. is known to be almost a total abstaince bo his fall into the water sunner be attributed to the effects of an expens of alcoholic liquities. His pagapa may be regarded as marrellous, considering that the directs of Banks are swarming with charks, and there are numerous alligators in the mangrove Awanipa. -- Free Prom

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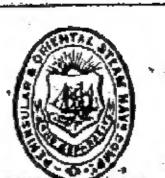
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THE CHINA ASSOCIATION. SPEECH BY MR WILLIAM KESWICK. Mr W. Keswick presided at the Annual Dinner of the China Association on the 4th November, and, in proposing the toast of the evening, 'Prosperity to the China Association, said : I regret, I am sure you | do. (What? Never!) The Common Law of Change does not all regret, that Lord Loch, the President of this Association, is not here to-night to apply to the climate of Singapore which is occupy the chair which I am endeavouring equitably hot. Equity steps in and overto till. Lord Loch is absent on the Con- rules the Common Law. tinent, and has not been able to return in | Singapore is the most important place in time to preside here. I feel that it is un-fortunate that he has not been able to take Chamber of Commerce, or the Tanjong Pathe chair, because I am sure from him we gir. Directors. should have had an address full of the Singapore is inhabited by white men and G. FALCONER & Co., ARE AGENTS FOR ROSS'S FAMOUS TELESCOPES AN experiences and knowledge of a veteran, black men. There are many, too, who are and which to this Association would both-especially black. have been of use and material ad- Morality in Singapore is a great virtue, vantage in considering the position of when it is found. (But if you start looking China and of our future relations with that for it you often find the other thing.) great Empire. I have, therefore, gentlemen, to ask you to be considerate towards. He is autocratic. He is nominally assisted me in endeavouring to put before you the in his government by 'Officials' and 'Untosat of the evening, which is 'Prosperity officials.' The latter talk a great deal but to the China Association.' (Applause.) It are only ornamicntal, the former den't talk is seven years since this Association was and are also only ornamental. (M'yes! formed, and during that period I believe perhaps.) that its usefulness has been acknowledged | Cricket, Golf, Football and other forms by all the members of the Association, and of sport are very popular in Singapore. by the many who have not joined us. They serve two uses; they are incitements Those seven years have been periods of im- to exercise and to thirst. (For the latter mense importance-periods of perhaps the a little incitement often goes a very long most momentous consequence to the relations of Europe towards the East. The China-Japan war has introduced a new feature | plentiful in Singapore, especially after five into the condition of things in the Celestial p.m. (Students of the Malay language be-Empire. After the great war with our- gin by acquiring this word. It is the solves which began in 1858 and continued hardest worked word in the dictionary.) and ended in 1860, Russia made advances- Chinamen form the principal Import into advances which only cost her the occupa- Singapore. A few figure among the Detion of territory, while Europe (I mean ports. (Too few.) by Europe, at that time, England and | Singapore Society is exclusive. It ex-France) made sacrifices and obtained cludes poverty; nothing else. advantages, but those advantages were | Credit is unlimited for residents in Singaobtained for the whole world. There was pore, until the crash comes; then flight or not one single privilege which England starvation is imperative. acquired which was not equally open to every | There are two classes among European nation in the world (Applause.) Ever since firms in Singapore; Towkays and Juniors. that period France has encroached upon The latter are hard worked for little pay, China, and her policy has been to limit the | the former are well paid for little work. intercourse and commerce of England with Gambling is prohibited in Singapore. the territories which she has acquired. There are no bookmakers, only Totalisators Russia at that early time advanced enorm- and poker parties. Lotteries frequently ously upon Chinese territory, as she has take place in the Assize Courts, and in St. again recently done, though perhaps not in | Andrew's Cathedral, with a honey-moon to such an open manner as in the first period | follow. I speak of, and has acquired an influence | Buffalo beef, dead-hen and plantains are in Manchuria which means that after a the staple articles of diet in Singapore. A sufficient period of digestion has clapsed good dinner and a good cook is an unpurthat a large territory will become a part of chasable luxury. the Russian Empire. An institution like ours has rendered important service in the ful; they love bribery and perjury as they past, in watching these advances, and in love their own souls. (The motives don't endeavouring to bring our conceptions of | matter : if the fees are paid.) their importance before the authorities of our country. In proposing the toast | omnipotence in Singapore. The 'Dwindof "Prosperity to the China Association," ling Dollar has been of late years a more I feel that in looking back to what the appropriate appellation. (But the 'Swind-Association has done we may take courage ling Dollar.' just about expresses our inand say, 'Yes, let the Association prosper, and let it have our best wishes.' (Applause.) still necessary coin). The Association has undertaken the representation of all our interests in China, and our most excellent Honorary Secretary, which needs remedying. (But it is somethan whom there is no one more conversant | times just as convenient socially to keep up with China, has written a report on the the fiction of matrimonial harmony, and Inland Duties of China, tckin, and the often much less expensive.)-Singapore Free transit pass system, which undoubtedly is | Press. the most authentic, the best and most comprehensive statement of the condition of things of which we have to complain, in connection with juland exactions, that has ever been compiled. (Applause.) In addition to drawing attention to these inland charges it has also been this Association's duty to advocate the importance of opening new ports in China- of opening the navigable rivers and waterways, and of introducing many changes which would not only be of advantage to us, but more essentially advantageous to China. I must say, however, that in China there appears to be an absolute absence of anything like statesmans ship. I do not believe that there is a single man in the Chinese Empire who there ghty Aberdeen, add 12 ft. 9 in. the height given understands that, unless there be improvement, unless there be reform and progress in accordance with the views of the Western Powers, there must be such a decadence in China as will inevitably lead to the dismemberment of the Empire. There is such a decadence now going on, there is corruption throughout the country, there are so many in high places looking after self, and there are so few, if indeed any, who are inspired with those patriotic views which ought to keep statesmen pure and enable them to govern for the welfare Fr of their country, that it is almost impossibla not to be filled with despair. There is a total absence of the governing faculty, and the chief tendency at the present time and is to put off till to-morrow whatever would be unpleasant to perform to-day. We have seen this in the finances of China, and notably in every promised reform, however urgently needed. It fills one, as I have said, with despair, because there can only be one end to it, and that is not an immediate but a gradual and certain destruction of the Empire. This is a melancholy view; but what has France done, in the south, and what is Russia doing in the north? An understanding between these two Powers means encroachment on both ends, and China is as helpless as a child in w its cradle. I do not believe that there is that influence innate in China which will ever rescue her from the doom which seems to overhang her. (Applause.) Now, gen- Kay tlemen, these views which I entertain may Gu be wrong. I do not think they are ; but Sh whother they are or not it is very important to make this Association strong, and imperative that it should be vigilant. Car There will be revision of the Treaties pre- He sently; there will be the great question of Vi the duties that are to be imposed ; there Ga will be great questions in connection with the lekin taxation to which our goods are Hs subject. These questions require to be lie dealt with with very great care, and there Me cannot be too much vigilance shown by this C.; Association in guarding and in every way protecting the interests of our commerce. (Applause.) Before sitting down, gentle- W men, I think it to be my duty as Chairman. To also of the Association, though not its Ko President, to mention that in all Na matters which we have to bring before Her Ka Majesty's Government, we have received Gu the greatest consideration and the very ut the most attention to our representations, and An it is with very great pleasure that I can re-fer to Her Majesty's Minister in Peking as Car a minister to whom we look up as a just Ho and able man and a most energetic representative of our country—(Applause)—as Gay one who has at heart every interest that we Man hold dear, and who will during his office, I He am sure, do everything that is possible to Bol promote our interests. (Applause). I hope Ma in what I have said, gantlemen, I have jus- 0.5 tified the toast, which is : Prosperity to F. G. Fice, First Assistant. the China Association,

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aldamak	Russian gunboat	600	9	1000	Capt. R. Rodrigues Trujillo	Manila
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Irene	German cruiser	4200	1 2	2200	Commander D. Regalado	Mantia
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